

predetermined folding area located between said areas of structural weakness to form said fold structure.

- 5 69. A method of manufacturing a reclosable bag for filling with at least one food product, said reclosable bag including at least one sheet of web material having at least one predetermined tear area, at least one fold structure, and an opening
10 located generally opposite said fold structure; a reclosable fastener assembly including at least one integral skirt structure of skirt web material extending therefrom; said integral skirt structure including at least one distal margin; said distal
15 margin being coupled to said web material at, at least one location between said tear area and said opening; said reclosable fastener structure extending past said tear area and into said fold structure; said reclosable bag capable of being
20 filled with at least one food product, said method comprising: folding said sheet of web material along a predetermined folding area to produce said fold structure; inserting said reclosable fastener assembly into said fold structure; coupling said
25 distal margin of said integral skirt structure to said web material; sealing said web material along at least two predetermined linear areas located generally perpendicular to said fold structure; filling said reclosable bag with at least one food
30 product through said opening; and sealing said opening.

70. The method of claim 69 wherein the step of sealing said web material along at least two predetermined linear areas occurs last.

5 71. The method of claim 69 wherein the first step is coupling at least one predetermined portion of said distal margin of said integral skirt structure to at least one predetermined portion of said web material prior to folding said sheet of web material.
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72. The method of claim 69 including the further step of inserting and sealing a header material into said predetermined fold area at least prior to the step of sealing said web material along at least said two predetermined linear areas.
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73. The method of claim 69 including the further step of inserting and sealing at least one tear structure into said predetermined fold area at least prior to the step of sealing said web material along at least said two predetermined linear areas.
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25 74. The method of claim 69 including the further step of sealing a predetermined portion of said fold structure and forming a header structure; said further step being subsequent to said step of folding said sheet of web material along a predetermined folding area located between said areas of structural weakness to form said fold structure.
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